**Political Party Performance Task**

**Preparing for Your Weebly**

1. Determine a name for your political party.
2. Develop a slogan for your political party.
3. Identify your political party as liberal, moderate, or conservative.
4. Identify ten issues that your political party feels are important. Be able to explain what your candidates will do to address each issue once they are elected.
5. Save a picture of your party’s symbol. Here are some methods:
   1. Find a picture on Creative Commons (<http://search.creativecommons.org/> ), click on it to make it larger, right-click on it, and click on “Save Picture As…” You will need to cite your picture like this:

Girl With Flower. Digital image. Creative Commons. ARTstor. Web. 12 Feb. 2010.  
("Girl with Flower" is a title for the picture, and "ARTstor" is the title of the web site on which the picture was originally found.)

* 1. Draw a picture on paper, and use the library’s scanner to scan the symbol.
  2. Use the Paint program (Start > All Programs > Accessories > Paint) to develop and save your picture.
  3. Use Image Chef (<http://www.imagechef.com>) to make your symbol.

1. Based on the issues you selected, identify people who could represent your party as President and Vice President. Use Creative Commons (<http://search.creativecommons.org/>to find pictures of the two people you select. See #5 above for how to search for, save, and cite Creative Commons pictures.

**Weebly Set-Up Instructions**

1. Go to <http://www.weebly.com>.
2. Using the form on the left, create an account with the following:
   1. Username: **fchs-last name first initial of first name** (example: fchs-kellyj). If that username is taken, add your middle initial to the end.
   2. E-Mail: **fchs-last name first initial of first name @gmail.com** (example: [fchs-kellyj@gmail.com](mailto:fchs-kellyj@gmail.com)). This email address is not real, but don’t worry – Weebly does not require email verification.
   3. Password: **p student ID #** (example: p12345)
3. Click on the blue “Site” box.
4. Select a theme and a color scheme, and click “Choose.” You can always go back and change the theme.
5. Click on the radio button next to “Use a Subdomain of Weebly.com.” Enter a name for your website in the box. Try to use your party’s name (example: <http://iheartlibrary.weebly.com>). Then, click on the orange “Continue” button at the bottom of the box.
6. Click on the blue “Build my site” button at the bottom.

**Weebly Site Creation**

1. You can always change the theme, font styles, etc. of your site by clicking on “Design” at the top.
2. The **HOME PAGE**
   1. Change the “My Site” text to your **party’s name**.
   2. Drag over a “Text” element from the left to the middle of the page. Enter your **party’s slogan** in the text area.
   3. Somewhere on the home page, indicate whether your party is **liberal, moderate, or conservative.** You may want to use another “Text” element.
3. Additional Pages:
   1. **PRESIDENT PAGE**
      1. Click on the “Pages” tab at the top.
      2. Click on the orange “Add Page +” button in the upper left.
      3. Select “Standard Page.”
      4. In the “Page Name” box, enter “President,” and click on “Save and Edit” at the bottom.
      5. If you don’t like the image at the top (page header), click on the gear button in the upper right to pick a new header style (or no header at all).
      6. Drag the “Image + Text” element to the middle of the page. Load to the page the picture of your candidate, his or her name, and your paragraph justifying why this person represents your party well.
   2. **VICE PRESIDENT PAGE** 
      1. Create a Vice President page just as you did in steps i through v (President Page) above.
      2. Drag the “Image + Text” element to the middle of the page. Load to the page the picture of your candidate, his or her name, and your paragraph justifying why this person represents your party well.
   3. **PLATFORM PAGE** 
      1. Create a Platform page just as you did in steps i through v (President Page) above.
      2. Drag the “Text” element to the middle of the page. Enter your ten numbered issues with explanations.
   4. **SYMBOL PAGE**
      1. Create a Symbol page just as you did in steps i through v (President Page) above.
      2. Drag the “Image” element to the middle of the page. Insert your saved symbol.
4. Publish:
   1. To publish your web page, click on the orange “Publish” button on the upper right.
   2. In the “Choose Your Website Domain” pop-up box, click on “Continue” at the bottom.
   3. In the “Categorize Your Website” pop-up box, select “Education” from the pull-down menu, and click “Continue.” Under “Select Category,” choose “Class Project.” Click “Continue” again.
   4. In the “Publish Site” pop-up window, type in the cAsE sENsitiVe words in the spam box, and click on the “OK, Publish My Site!” button.
   5. To view your published page, click on the BLUE LINK to your site in the middle of the “Website Published” pop-up box.
5. Editing: You can always go back and edit your Weebly by logging into Weebly.com.

See a sample at <http://iheartlibraryparty.weebly.com/> .